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SUBJ: HEAVY REFINED SUGAR EXPORTS CREATING DOMESTIC SHORTAGE

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1. ON APRIL 6, BUSINESS DAY CARRIED AN ARTICLE DESCRIBING A DOMESTIC SHORTAGE OF REFINED SUGAR. IN THE PHILIPPINES, "HOUSEHOLD TRADERS" NORMALLY RECEIVE MONTHLY ALLOCATIONS OF REFINED SUGAR FROM PHILEX AND SELL DIRECTLY TO THE PUBLIC. ACCORDING TO SEVEN OF THE COUNTRY'S LARGEST TRADING FIRMS, HOWEVER, PHILEX IS DELAYING AND REDUCING ALLOCATIONS FOR REFINED SUGAR FOR DOMESTIC HOUSEHOLD CONSUMPTION WHICH HAS PUT THE TRADE IN AN UNCOMFORTABLY LOW STOCK POSITION. WHILE THE SHORTAGE HAS NOT YET BEEN NOTICEABLE IN THE MARKET, MANY TRADERS REPORT VERY LOW STOCKS OF REFINED SUGAR FOR DOMESTIC CONSUMPTION. TRADERS BLAME THE SHORTAGE ON HEAVY EXPORT COMMITMENTS OF REFINED SUGAR AND PHILEX'S NEED TO SATISFY INDUSTRIAL USERS FIRST.

2. TRADE CONTACT CONFIRMS BUSINESS DAY ARTICLE AND ESTIMATES THAT SHORTAGE COULD BE FELT IN RETAIL MARKETS IN ABOUT A MONTH'S TIME.

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3. PREVIOUS SHORTAGE OF REFINED SUGAR FOR INDUSTRIAL USERS REPORTED IN PARA 3 REFTEL HAS APPARENTLY BEEN CORRECTED. SULLIVAN

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